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## **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2008. A request for continued examination accompanies this paper and no additional fees are believed to be due. Applicants note that a notice of appeal was filed in the application November 10, 2008 making January 10, 2009 the deadline for a response without additional fees. If however, it is determined that fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account number 13-2855.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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